

State General Purpose Recipient Committees (Except Political Party Committees)

June 6, 2006 Election Filing Schedule

<i>Filing Deadline</i>	<i>Type of Statement</i>	<i>Period Covered by Statement^{1/}</i>	<i>Method of Delivery</i>
January 31, 2006	Semi-Annual	^{1/} – 12/31/05	✧ Personal Delivery ^{2/} ✧ First Class Mail
Within 24 Hours	Special Online Independent Expenditure Report ^{3/}	3/8/06 – 6/6/06	✧ Online or Electronically with Secretary of State
March 22, 2006	Pre-Election ^{4/}	1/1/06 – 3/17/06	✧ Personal Delivery ✧ First Class Mail
Within 48 Hours	Issue Advocacy Disclosure Statement ^{5/}	4/22/06 – 6/5/06	✧ Online or Electronically with Secretary of State
May 25, 2006	Pre-Election ^{4/}	3/18/06 – 5/20/06	✧ Personal Delivery ✧ First Class Mail
Within 24 Hours	If You Make a Late Contribution or Independent Expenditure of \$1,000 or More	5/21/06 – 6/5/06	✧ Personal Delivery ^{6/} ✧ Guaranteed Overnight Service ✧ Fax
July 31, 2006	Semi-Annual	^{1/} – 6/30/06	✧ Personal Delivery ✧ First Class Mail

Footnotes:

^{1/} The period covered by any statement begins on the day after the closing date of the last statement filed, or January 1, if no previous statement has been filed.

^{2/} In addition to paper reports, a committee must file electronically with the Secretary of State if, since January 1, 2000, the committee receives contributions or makes expenditures totaling \$50,000 or more. For more information, visit the Secretary of State's web site at www.ss.ca.gov.

^{3/} Committees required to file electronically (see footnote 2) must file this report if an independent expenditure of \$1,000 or more is made during the period March 8, 2006, through June 6, 2006, in connection with a state candidate or a state ballot measure being voted on June 6, 2006. No paper copy is required and no copies are required to be filed with local filing officers, including during the late reporting period.

^{4/} File the March 22 and May 25 pre-election statements if contributions or independent expenditures totaling \$500 or more are made during the period covered by the statement.

^{5/} A committee that makes a payment or a promise of payment of \$50,000 or more for a communication that clearly identifies a state candidate being voted on June 6, but does not expressly advocate the election or defeat of the candidate, must file Form E530 electronically with the Secretary of State. The report must be filed within 48 hours of making or promising to make the payment. No paper copy is required and no copies are required to be filed with local filing officers.

^{6/} Committees filing the special online independent expenditure reports (see footnote 3) are not required to file paper copies of late independent expenditure reports during the late reporting period. Paper copies of late contribution reports are still required, including with local filing officers.

Additional Notes:

- Except for deadlines that fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday, there is no provision in the law for extending a filing deadline. Late statements are subject to a \$10 per day late fine.
- All statements are public documents.

- Contributions to state candidates and to committees that make contributions to state candidates are subject to contribution limits. Some committees that feature state candidates in advertisements are also subject to contribution limits.

As of the date of this publication (5/05), the 2005 Campaign Manual Addendum contains the most recent information on campaign disclosure requirements. Legislative amendments to the Political Reform Act may go into effect that will change information contained in the 2005 Addendum and this filing schedule. Be sure to check the FPPC web site (www.fppc.ca.gov) for updated information.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION FOR 2006 ELECTIONS

The April 11, 2006, special election for the 35th Senate District may impact filing requirements for ALL state committees. Committees should refer to the appropriate 2006 filing schedule and campaign information manual for detailed information about filing requirements.

(Candidates running in the April 11 election: See the April 11/June 6 filing schedule for state candidates. State and county central committees: See the new April 11/June 6 filing schedule for political party committees.)

Q. Our state PAC made contributions totaling \$10,000 to candidates running in the April 11, 2006 special election. Must the committee file a supplemental pre-election statement on March 30?

A. No. Because state general purpose recipient committees are required to file regular pre-election statements during 2006, the supplemental pre-election statement (Form 495) is NOT required in connection with the April 11, 2006 election.

Q. When is the 90-day election cycle for purposes of filing 24-hour independent expenditure reports?

A. Committees required to file electronically with the Secretary of State must file an electronic report within 24 hours if they make independent expenditures totaling \$1,000 or more to support or oppose a state candidate or state ballot measure beginning 90 days prior to the candidate or measure's election and ending on the date of the election.¹

The 90-day election cycles for 2006 are:

- April 11, 2006 Election: January 11, 2006 through April 11, 2006.
- June 6, 2006 Election: March 8, 2006 through June 6, 2006.
- November 7, 2006 Election: August 9, 2006 through November 7, 2006.

Q. What are the late contribution/late independent expenditure reporting periods?

A. Late contribution and late independent expenditure reports are required if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more are made to candidates or primarily formed ballot measure committees, or if independent expenditures are made to support or oppose candidates or ballot measures, during the 16 days prior to the candidate or ballot measure's election. (Independent expenditures disclosed by electronic filers during the

¹ Committees controlled by candidates may not make independent expenditures and may not make contributions to other committees for the purpose of making independent expenditures to support or oppose other candidates.

90-day election cycle described above are not required to be reported as “late independent expenditures.”)

In addition, late contribution reports are required for contributions totaling \$1,000 or more that are made to or received by **ANY** state or county central committee (political party committees) during the 16 days prior to **ANY** state election.

For state elections in 2006, the late reporting periods are:

- April 11, 2006 Election: March 26 through April 10.
- June 6, 2006 Election: May 21 through June 5 (includes the SD 35 special runoff election).
- November 7, 2006 Election: October 22 through November 6.

Q. What about issue advocacy reports?

A. A committee that makes a payment or a promise of a payment of \$50,000 or more during the 45-day period prior to a state election for a communication that clearly identifies a state candidate being voted on in the election but does not expressly advocate the election or defeat of the candidate, must file Form E530 electronically with the Secretary of State.

The 2006 issue advocacy reporting periods are:

- April 11, 2006 Election: February 25 through April 10.
- June 6, 2006 Election: April 22 through June 5.
- November 7, 2006 Election: September 23 through November 6.